

# DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

**DECLARATION:** As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe that I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought, entitled TAPE DISPENSING SYSTEM WITH AUTOMATIC BACKING REMOVAL, a specification of which is attached hereto. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above cited specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations §1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35 United States Code §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

## Prior Foreign Applications(s)

## Priority Claimed

N/A (Number)	(Country)	(Date filed)	Yes	No
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35 United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35 United States Code §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations §1.56, which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

N/A (Application Ser. No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status-Patented, Pending or Abandoned)
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

**POWER OF ATTORNEY:** I hereby appoint as my attorney, with full powers of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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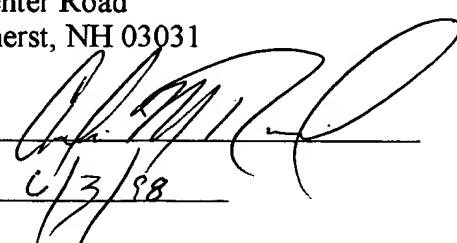
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**CLAIM FOR SMALL ENTITY STATUS AND 18 USC 1001 DECLARATION  
(37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(b))--INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

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Titled: **TAPE DISPENSING SYSTEM WITH AUTOMATIC BACKING REMOVAL**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees to the Patent and Trademark Office described in

- the specification filed herewith with title as listed above.  
 the application identified above.  
 the patent identified above.

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

- no such person, concern, or organization.  
 persons, concerns or organizations listed below.  
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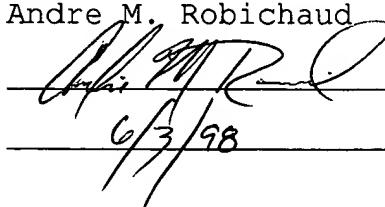
Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

I acknowledge the duty to file in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying or at the time of paying the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28 (b))

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